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SUBJ: CODEL BUCKLEY

1. SENATOR JAMES L. BUCKLEY (CONSERVATIVE/REPUBLICAN-NEW YORK) VISITED WARSAW AND CZESTOCHOWA NOVEMBER 15-17 IN A PROGRAM THAT INCLUDED INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS WITH POLISH OFFICIALS, JOURNALISTS, AND CHURCH LEADERS. THE NEW YORK SENATOR WAS ACCOMPANIED BY HIS LEGISLATIVE AIDE, WILLIAM SCHNEIDER, AND HIS PRESS SECRETARY, LEONARD SAFFIR.

2. THE ONLY FORMAL GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENT WAS ON FRIDAY WITH CZESLAW KOTELA, THE VICE-MINISTER OF REGIONAL ECONOMY AND ENVIRONMENAL PROTECTION. THE CONVERSATION SPREAD ACROSS A BROAD RANGE OF GENERAL TOPICS RELATED TO URBAN AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS.

3. ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON, SENATOR BUCKLEY CALLED UPON HIS EMINENCE, STEFAN CARDINAL WYSZYNSKI, FOR AN UNUSUALLY LONG AUDIENCE (70 MINUTES; SUBJECT OF SEPARATE COMMUNICATION). THE SENATOR ALSO HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH A WIDE VARIETY OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, JOURNALISTS, AND INTELLECTUALS AT A FRIDAY LUNCHEON HOSTED BY THE AMBASSADOR AND AT A PAO RECEPTION THAT SAME EVENING.

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4. EXCEPT FOR A BRIEF STOP AT THE JEWISH GHETTO MEMORIAL, THE SATURDAY PROGRAM WAS CANCELLED WHEN THE SENATOR EXPRESSED A DESIRE TO VISIT THE SHRINE OF THE BLACK MADONNA AT CZESTOCHOWA. HE WAS EXTENDED A CORDIAL WELCOME THERE BY THE PAULINE FATHERS, INCLUDING A TOUR OF THE MONASTERY AND LUNCHEON WITH THE PRIOR, TADEUSZ KUBIK.

5. COMMENT: FOLLOWING HIS STAY IN THE USSR, SENATOR BUCKLEY'S VISIT IN POLAND WAS RELAXED AND UNEVENTFUL. HE AND HIS AIDES QUICKLY GRASPED THE MARKED DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE POLISH AND SOVIET MODELS OF COMMUNISM, NOTABLY THIS COUNTRY'S GREATER ACCESS TO THE WEST AND THE PERVASIVE INFLUENCE OF THE CHURCH.  
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